

**PUBLIC NOTICE ON
PRECONSTRUCTION APPROVAL
REGARDING APPLICATION
SUBMITTED UNDER THE REGULATIONS
PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION AND
§112(g) CASE BY CASE MAXIMUM ACHIEVABLE CONTROL TECHNOLOGY**

Valley Proteins, Inc. – Rose Hill Division, 469 Yellow Cut Road, Rose Hill, Duplin County, North Carolina 28458, has applied to the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality, for approval under both §165 Prevention of Significant Deterioration and §112(g) Case-by-Case Maximum Achievable Control Technology programs of Clean Air Act, for the proposed project, consisting of a fat extraction process and two natural gas-fired boilers. The project results in significant emissions increases of Volatile Organic Compounds. The project also results in emissions of hexane, exceeding the major source threshold.

The project is subject to review under the North Carolina Administrative Code, Title 15A, Environment Management Subchapter 02D, Section .0530 “Prevention of Significant Deterioration” and Section 02D .1112 “112(g) Case-by-Case Maximum Achievable Control Technology”, and Subchapter 02Q, Section .0300 “Construction and Operation Permits”.

The permit application has been reviewed by the DAQ, Permitting Section, Raleigh, North Carolina, to determine compliance with the requirements of the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission’s air pollution regulations.

A preliminary review, including analysis of the impact of the facility emissions on local air quality, has led to the determination that the project can be approved, and the DAQ air permit issued, if certain permit conditions are met.

Duplin County is classified as an attainment area for National Ambient Air Quality Standards for all criteria pollutants. Compliance with all ambient air quality standards and PSD increments are expected.

Persons wishing to submit written comments or request a public hearing regarding the Air Quality Permit are invited to do so. Requests for a public hearing must be in writing and include a statement supporting the need for such a hearing, an indication of your interest in the facility, and a summary of the information intended to be offered at such hearing.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing should be postmarked no later than June 9, 2018 and addressed to Rahul Thaker, Division of Air Quality, 1641 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1641.

All comments received prior to this date will be considered in the final determination regarding the Air Quality Permit. A public hearing may be held if the Director of the DAQ determines that significant public interest exists or that the public interest will be served.

A copy of all data and the application submitted by Valley Proteins, Inc. – Rose Hill Division and other material used by the DAQ in making this preliminary determination are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following locations:

NCDEQ		Wilmington Regional Office
Division of Air Quality	or	127 Cardinal Drive Extension
Permitting Section		Wilmington, NC 29405
217 West Jones Street		
Raleigh, NC 27603		

Information on the draft permit, the permit application, and the staff review is available by writing or calling:

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